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Total Claims	22	Minus	20	= 2	x \$ 25	\$0.00	x \$ 50	\$100.00
Independent Claims	6	Minus	7	= 0	x \$100	\$0.00	x \$200	\$ 0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims \$180						\$0.00	x \$360	\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00		\$100.00

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In response to the Office Action of October 20, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.